

TELEPHONE GIRLS CORROBORATE JONES.

Heard Conversations Millionaire
Rice's Valet Had With Law-
yer Patrick Over Wire.

LAWYERS ALMOST HAVE FIGHT.

Prosecutor Osborne in Order to Re-
fute the Charges Made by Man
Accused of Murder Brings
Out New Statement.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
New York, April 9.—Corroboration of de-
tails of Valet Jones' story of his murder
of Millionaire Rice at the order of Lawyer
Albert T. Patrick was brought out by As-
sistant District Attorney Osborne at the
hearing before Justice Jerome Tuesday.

Two telephone girls testified to the tele-
phone messages sent by Jones to Patrick,
and vice versa, on the evening of Rice's
death, and an expressman testified to deliv-
ering a package from Texas to Jones. The
prosecution says this package contained
poison.

The deadly blow was dealt the defense
when Valet Jones told of a confession by
him to his lawyer, Mr. House before he had
confessed to Assistant District Attorney Os-
borne, that he had killed Rice at the order
of Patrick.

"Mr. House said," declared Jones, "It
would not do for Patrick to lay it all on
me, as it would show on his face. I don't
think Patrick would do that. He said that
the checks from Texas were due and that
was why we put him out of the way."

When recess was ordered, Lawyer Moore
for the defense and Assistant District At-
torney Osborne almost came to blows. Mr.
Moore, who is one of Patrick's attorneys,
denounced District Attorney Osborne and
said his conduct was unprofessional; that
anything Jones had told Mr. House while
the latter was acting as his attorney should
be held sacred.

Osborne, stung by Patrick's denunciations
to the press last Friday that
the prosecution was in conspiracy with
the proponents of the 1886 bill, however,
felt impelled to force from Jones the con-
fession he made to House, and the court
permitted him to do so.

This brought about the clash, but nobody
was punched.

Mr. Osborne, replying to Mr. Moore's ob-
jection, said that Mr. House is an honora-
ble man and that if he will go on the stand
and deny Jones' statement he will undoubt-
edly be believed.

Jones appears to be feeling better.
Charles E. Jones, who was Rice's valet,
and who has turned informer, was recalled
for cross-examination by Mr. Moore.

Valet Jones looked sad and fretful than
when he appeared in court last week.
Under the surveillance of a detective he
has been permitted to walk about the city,
and this recreation brought some show of
color into his sallow face.

Last Friday night, with his police escort,
Jones visited cafes, theaters and hotel lo-
cals.

Jones was no glutton. He looked just as
he looks when he sits in the law library
of the Criminal Court building trying to
fasten the burden of their alleged dual
crimes upon Albert T. Patrick.

His history.
Scores of persons literally jostled elbows
with Jones without the faintest suspicion
that they were in personal contact with the
man who had been the old millionaire
with deadly poison, said the last had
taken a towel to his forehead and held it
to his victim's nostrils until he breathed his
life away.

Once or twice during the evening's enjoy-
ment there were reports of the man who
had been the old millionaire, and the thin
face, but if a momentary suspicion of
an truth came upon the man, it was
balanced by a coincidence. For who could
imagine that the man who, when charged
with the murder of a millionaire, had been
half an hour before midnight.

In his cross-examination Tuesday, Jones
said that the statements made by him at
police headquarters, after his arrest, had
not been read over to him, and that the
notes were then handed to the witness
and he was told to read it carefully, and
whether it was a correct report or not, as
he had said. In this statement, made
October 4, Jones said that Rice died a natu-
ral death and also that he dated 1899 was
genuine. Jones took the transcript, which
covered several typewritten pages, and read
it carefully.

Teller Was Positive.
At Tuesday night's session of the Patrick
case John H. Wallace, valet of the
Swampson Bank, testified. The Patrick will
be of June 30, 1900, the general assignments
of the Rice property were made, and in
which Mr. Rice is alleged to have given
orders for the cremation of his own body
and a certified check for \$50,000, which
Patrick gave to Potts the day after Mr. Rice's
death, were handed to the witness, and in
each instance he declared that the sig-
natures of "W. M. Rice" attached thereto
were forgeries.

On cross-examination, the witness said
he had seen the "Patrick will" one day last
week in the District Attorney's office. He
had compared the signature on the will
with those on several checks bearing the genuine
signature of Mr. Rice, and this had con-
vinced him that the signature on the will
was forged.

"Now, Mr. Wallace," asked Mr. Moore,
"Is it not a fact that you have just a bit
of doubt in regard to those signatures?"
"No, no, no, not the least," replied the
witness.

ABANDONS KIDNAPING THEORY.

New York Police Captain Thinks
McCormack Had Been Dead.

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New York, April 9.—Police Captain Titus
Monday expressed the belief that Willie
McCormack is dead. He does not believe he
was kidnapped, as his parents persist in be-
lieving, but he thinks the lad may have
gone away from home and then met with
some mishap.

Fonds and marshes near the McCormack
home are being carefully searched, and it
is likely that one of the police launches
will be directed into the task of dragging
the Harlem River at Highbridge in the
hope of finding the body.

Captain Titus thinks the child's pro-
longed absence is ominous, but if he were
actually being held for ransom the chief
of Detectives says the kidnappers would
probably have sent to his parents a piece
of his clothing or some other conclusive
evidence that they have him in their cus-
tody.

From reports of reports are still coming in
from various places that the boy has been
seen.

DOCTOR A. M. RAINES DEAD.

Aged Man's Three Sons Are Physi-
cians.

Doctor A. M. Raines died at the St. Louis
Baptist Hospital Tuesday night at 11:15
o'clock, after an illness of but a few days,
aged 74 years.

Doctor Raines was the father of Mrs. C. C.
Morris, whose husband is superintendent
of the hospital at which he died. He
had lived and practiced medicine in
St. Louis, Mo., and was a well-known
living man in his widow, three sons, who
are physicians, two living in St. Louis, and
two daughters.

FERGUSON'S NEXT MAYOR YOUNGEST IN MISSOURI.

Frederick A. Reid Will Be
Inaugurated as Chief Execu-
tive Thursday Morning.

DEFEATED A VETERAN.

Frederick A. Reid, who won the mayoral-
ty of Ferguson, after the hottest battle of
ballots ever waged in the little suburb,
will take the oath of office Thursday morn-
ing.

Mr. Reid claims the distinction of being
the youngest mayor in Missouri, and prob-
ably with some reason, for he is not yet 27
years of age. Ever since reaching his major-
ity he has taken a deep interest in Demo-
cratic politics, local and national, and for
two years has served as Alderman in Fer-
guson's City Council. He is the son of
Oscar Reid, a real estate dealer, and is him-
self engaged in the insurance business.

The manner of Mr. Reid's nomination is
in accord with the vigorous methods adopt-
ed by his supporters all through the cam-
paign. A mass meeting of Ferguson's citi-
zens was called to consider the needs of
municipal government in the suburb. By a
clear preliminary vote Reid's followers
had the mass meeting resolve itself into a
convention, with power to nominate candi-
dates for the various city offices. The
balloting was begun and the Reid men, be-
ing in the majority, named the mayor and
first place on the city ticket. His oppo-
nents, seeing the hopelessness of their efforts
to prevent his nomination, bolted the con-
vention, and by Eugene R. Miller and
Adam Deichmüller, placed in the field an-
other ticket, headed by Thomas H. Coppin-
ger.

Mr. Reid entered the campaign on a plat-
form of progress and improvement and
defeated a veteran.

found the active co-operation of the young
and energetic element of Ferguson's popu-
lation. He favored the construction of new
streets and sidewalks, the purchase of wa-
ter works, and the continuance of the elec-
tric lighting of the town, and opposed the
scheme of disincorporation, which was the
chief issue in the fight.

Despite the fact that Thomas H. Coppin-
ger, his opponent, is an older man, and a
veteran of a congressional campaign, Reid
was elected by a majority of four votes.
With him were chosen nearly all the candi-
dates on the Citizens' ticket, which he headed.

LOGAN STATUE IS UNVEILED.

President Delivers Address Paying
High Tribute to the Memory
of the Great Soldier.

Washington, April 9.—The equestrian
statue of General John A. Logan, erected in
Iowa Circle in memory of the distinguished
soldier and statesman, was unveiled Tues-
day afternoon. The ceremony occurred in
the presence of an immense assemblage, in-
cluding President McKinley and the mem-
bers of his Cabinet, the surviving mem-
bers of General Logan's family and many per-
sons eminent in the military and civil life
of the nation.

A grandson of General Logan, George
Tucker, drew the silken cord which re-
leased the fluttering flags that draped the
statue.

An imposing military parade escorted the
President and other distinguished partici-
pants in the ceremony to Iowa Circle.
General Grenville M. Dodge, president of
the Board of the Army of the Tennessee,
presided at the ceremony. After the in-
vocation had been pronounced by the Rever-
end Frank M. Bristol, the President's pas-
tor, General Dodge presented the sculptor,
Mr. Franklin Simon Young, Master
Tucker then released the clinging draperies
of the statue and the splendid work was
disclosed.

Following a brief introduction by Gen-
eral Dodge, President McKinley delivered an
address. He said, in part:

"My Fellow Citizens: It is a good thing
when patriots are honored. The nation is
exalted. Monuments which express the na-
tion's gratitude for great deeds inspire great
deeds. The statue unveiled to-day pro-
claims to the world the appreciation of our
heroic sons whose name is dear to the
American people, the ideal volunteer soldier
of two wars, the eminent Senator and com-
mander, General John A. Logan.

"Logan's career was unique. His distinc-
tion does not rest upon his military achieve-
ments alone. His services in the Legislature
of his own State, in the National House of
Representatives and in the Senate of the
United States have given him an
unusually conspicuous place in the annals of
the country. He was great in his hour and
in the field.

"That of Logan stands for exalted
patriotism. This was the key of his success.
Party politics had no meaning when he
was in danger. When the alternative
came he was swift to dedicate his life and
fortune to the party of Lincoln, because it
stood for the indivisibility of the Union.

"How much he did to create and increase
the sentiment of loyalty and patriotism
among the people of his own State and
throughout the nation can never be told."

GREAT MACHINERY COMBINE PLANNED.

If Formed It Will Control Forty
Plants and Have a Capitaliza-
tion of Fifty Millions.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 9.—Charles Allis,
representing the plan of the B. P.
Allis Company, is in New York in connec-
tion with a proposition to consolidate all
the big machinery and stationary engine
plants of the country.

"The trust will, if formed, have a capital
of \$50,000,000 and include over forty plants.
They are located in Milwaukee, Fort Wayne,
Canton, O., Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Pittsburg,
Youngstown, O., Cleveland, O., Pitts-
burgh, Pa., Hamilton, O., New York, Philadelphia
and Akron, O."

William Allis said that the combination
had been under consideration for some
time, but that his company had never
given any opinion on the plan.

None of the officers would confirm the re-
port of the combination, but it has been
formed and that the Allis company was in
it. However, from the attitude of some
of them when approached on the subject,
it is apparent that it is only a question of
a short time when the organization will
be formed.

One consideration which makes the trans-
action somewhat complicated is the diffi-
culty of determining the fair value of the
various stocks. It is not often that these
securities change hands and well-informed
men remark to her companion: "That
man came to see me yesterday and he
made me a name even an approximate
selling price."

HIS CORRECTION.
John Clerk, afterward known as Lord
Edlin, was limping down High street, Edin-
burgh, one day, when he heard a young
woman remark to her companion: "That
is the famous John Clerk, the lame lawyer."

He turned round and said: "You wrong
me, madam! I am a lame man, but not a
lame lawyer."

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Washington, April 9.—A rumor that the
naval vessels may soon be sold to the Gov-
ernment for only \$100 per ton. An experi-
mental plate manufactured by a new pro-
cess is being tested.

The present cost of armor plate is \$450 per
ton. The saving effected by utilizing this
new material on a battleship of the dimen-
sions of the Alabama would be \$750,000.

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PORTO RICAN PARTY OPPOSED TO ALLEN.

Planters and Merchants Will Issue
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San Juan, Porto Rico, April 9.—The an-
nouncement that the President has per-
suaded Governor Allen to return to the
island and continue in office has created
a feeling of gratification here.

The planters and merchants who are
alarmed by the outlook, the scarcity of
money for harvesting and moving crops,
and the inability of those who have capital
invested to secure a reasonable income from
it, are issuing a circular asking President
McKinley to appoint Francis Williams, Post-
master of Brooklyn, N. Y., Governor of the
island.

The malcontents, and they are many, are
open in their antagonism to Governor Allen.
They point out the fact that many Spanish
merchants are leaving Porto Rico because
of the unfavorable business conditions.

There is talk of establishing a newspaper
in New York to represent the interests of
the planters and merchants of the island
and to urge congressional relief and the ap-
pointment of a new Governor.

Petition to the President.
New York, April 9.—Senator Santiago Igle-
sias, delegate to the Federation of Labor of
Porto Rico, who arrived on the steamer
from San Juan, is the bearer of a petition
from the workmen of Porto Rico to Presi-
dent McKinley.

In this petition, which bears 6,000 signa-
tures, the Porto Ricans say:
"Misery, with all its horrible conse-
quences, is spreading in our homes with
wonderful rapidity. It is already reach-
ing an extreme, and many workers are
starving to death, while others that have
not the courage to see their mothers, wives,
sisters and children perish by hunger com-
mit suicide by drowning themselves in the
rivers or hanging themselves from branches
of trees."

Neure came to St. Louis from St. Paul,
Minn., last February. Among his effects
was a letter from his mother, Mrs. Mary
Minn, giving him formal permission to
enter the United States Army.

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Washington, April 9.—A dispatch received
at the Navy Department from Lieutenant
Commander Peters of the Naval Train-
ing School, dated at Seattle, Wash., Monday,
reads:
"The torpedo boat Goldsborough standard-
ized trials completed to-day, over measured
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This breaks all American records.

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Members of Anti-Clerical Party of
Buenos Ayres Make Demonstra-
tion After Seeing "Electra."

Buenos Ayres, April 9.—Serious anti-
clerical riots have occurred in San Pablo
in the State of Santiago del Estero. They
were caused by the presentation of the
Spanish drama, "Electra," by Perez Galdos,
which recently caused disturbances in
Spain.

There was great excitement during the
performance, and at the end the audience
rushed out and marched against the clergy.
They marched to the convent of San Benito
and stoned it.

The police finally dispersed the rioters
and arrested many of them.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
St. Louis, Mo., April 9.—Among the hotel ar-
rivals are the following Westerners:
St. Louis—M. R. Bratz, H. M. Knox,
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hattan, N. Y.; J. H. Steward, Waldorf;
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stoner, Bartholdi; R. H.
Harris, Albany, N. Y.; J. H. Steward, Waldorf;
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Holland, W. B. Thompson, Glisley; L. Cor-
nellius, New York; and Mrs. L. E. Gar-
land, Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. L. H. Fryer,
Imperial, Mo., Shouberger, Plaza.

SUICIDE IN A RESTAURANT.

Fred W. Neure Recently Came
From St. Paul, Minn.

Fred W. Neure of No. 131 Locust street
shot and instantly killed himself at 12:30
o'clock Wednesday morning in the William
McKee restaurant at No. 227 Washington
avenue. He was